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A. Zepov, a member of the Russian trade delegation in Bern, is attempting to buy 400 tons of Banka tin. The price asked for Dutch Banka tin in Switzerland is \$2,050 per ton f. o. b. Antwerp. Zepov, however, has so far refused to buy at that price. He is instead offering for sale in Switzerland 60 octane gasoline from Romania, but has not yet found a buyer. This low quality gasoline was formerly shipped to Yugoslavia but was halted on Russian orders after the Tito incident and is now being unloaded on other markets.

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